

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Mazza opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

“Sunshine Law” Announcement: Adequate notice of this public meeting has been provided by the Annual Notice; faxed to the Hunterdon Democrat and Courier News; posted on the public bulletin board and on file in the Municipal Clerk’s Office.

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL - Present: Rob Haynes, Matt Severino, Lisa Nargi, Patricia Dziubek and Frank Mazza. J. Peter Jost, Esq., Township Attorney, John Reymann, P.E., Township Engineer, Grace Brennan, Township CFO and Ella Malecki Ruta, Township Clerk, were also present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Budget Workshop Regular and Executive Session Minutes of March 5, 2007

Motion was made by Mr. Severino, seconded by Mrs. Nargi to adopt said Minutes. Vote – Ayes: Mr. Haynes, Mr. Severino, Mrs. Nargi, Mrs. Dziubek, Mr. Mazza. Motion Carried.

b. Regular and Executive Session Meeting Minutes of July 18, 2007

Motion was made by Mr. Severino, seconded by Mrs. Dziubek to adopt said Minutes. Vote – Ayes: Mr. Haynes, Mr. Severino, Mrs. Nargi, Mrs. Dziubek, Mr. Mazza. Motion Carried.

c. Regular and Executive Sessions Meeting Minutes of June 20, 2007

Motion was made by Mr. Severino, seconded by Mrs. Dziubek to adopt said Minutes as corrected. Vote – Ayes: Mr. Haynes, Mr. Severino, Mrs. Nargi, Mrs. Dziubek, Mr. Mazza. Motion Carried.

VISITORS

a. Robert DiFazio – Finn Road Park Monument

Mr. DiFazio asked permission from the Union Twp. Committee to place a monument at the Finn Road Park commemorating death of his cousin, Vinnie DiFazio on September 11, 2001. He presented short history of Vinnie DiFazio’s association and contribution to Union Twp. Recreation Committee, his love for the game of baseball and involvement in coaching local children.

Mr. Robert DiFazio also distributed drawings of the exact location of the monument.

After a brief discussion motion was made by Mrs. Dziubek, seconded by Mr. Severino to approve placing of the monument in memory of Vincent DiFazio at Finn Road Park subject to Green Acres regulations and Township review of any details. Vote – Ayes: Mr. Haynes, Mr. Severino, Mrs. Nargi, Mrs. Dziubek, Mr. Mazza. Motion Carried.

b. Shu Chinag – Driveways Extension at Lookout Pointe

Mrs. Chinag stated that Mrs. Peggy Anastasiou will speak on behalf of residents at the Lookout Pointe Community.

Mrs. Anastasiou read a letter asking permission to expand driveways at the development. She pointed out facts of safety and inconvenience that current sizes of all driveways create. She asked for help and guidance from the Twp. Committee to obtain necessary permits to resolve the issue.

In response Members of the Township Committee suggested submitting a group application in front of the Union Twp. Board of Adjustment to start the process. It was also stated by the Committee Members there is no guarantee that a permit to expand driveways will be granted, but this is the procedure that has to be followed.

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING September 5, 2007

c. William Harclerode – Request for Comprehensive Plan to reduce noise from I-78

Mr. Harclerode came before the Township Committee asking for support to minimize noise from I-78. He suggested passing local noise ordinance, enforcing existing federal motor carrier safety administration noise emission standards law; work with NJDOT Planning and Administration trying to address the issue of sound pollution along highways. He volunteered to attend DOT meetings. As an immediate solution, he suggested to contact State Highway Dept. to have I-78 repaved earlier than as scheduled in 2009 and asked for rubberized pavement to further reduce noise.

Mrs. Nargi suggested contacting Bob Nargi, Chairman of Union Township Environmental Commission who is also involved with NJDOT regarding this issue.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – OUT OF AGENDA ORDER

Michelle McBride, brought back an old complaint of trucks parking illegally along Rte #173. Again, she asked the possibility for neighboring Police Departments to enforce the laws of illegal parking.

Mayor Mazza stated that a NJTPA DOT meeting is coming up and the question of trucks parked illegally is going to be asked again. It was stated by Committee Members and the Township Attorney that it is very difficult to enforce the issue since State has jurisdictions over highways.

REPORTS RECEIVED – OUT OF AGENDA ORDER

- a. Municipal Court – July 2007
- b. Construction Dept. – July 2007
- c. Road Dept.- August 2007
- d. Tax Collector – July, August 2007
- e. Pattenburg Fire Co.
- f. Claims Register – 9/05/07

PUBLIC HEARING – 2ND Reading – None at this time
OLD BUSINESS

- a. **RESOLUTION #2007-** : Amendments to the Resolution #2003-39/Reclamation Plan for Pattenburg Quarry

Information to make necessary amendments to Resolution #2003-39 is still not available. Township Engineer said we are waiting for soil erosion and reclamation plans from new owners. It was tabled at this time.

- b. **RESOLUTION #2007-** : 2007-2008 Liquor License Renewal – Pattenburg Entertainment Inc./Pattenburg House

Due to missing documentation from the State to renew the above Liquor Licenses the above resolution was tabled.

- c. **RESOLUTION #2007-** : Approval of the Red Hills Industries Inc. Quarry Application.

Attorney Jost explained that this application is due for renewal and the procedure in the Township's quarry ordinance states that it is filed with the Planning Board for approval and the Planning Board makes recommendation. If approved as filed or with conditions, Clerk issues a license, if denied it goes to the Township Committee for public hearing.

John Reymann, Township Engineer will contact applicant in this matter. The above resolution was tabled at this time.

CORRESPONDENCE

Mrs. Nargi had matters for executive session.

Mrs. Dziubek mentioned the following; asked if there is further interest in farmland preservation; - letter from resident regarding Craig Herman's, Road Dept. Foreman outstanding work practices; - preservation waiver has been granted to the Hoffman Park Stream Restoration Project.

Mr. Haynes mentioned the following: - letter from the County Engineers office on co-op purchase of snow and ice control materials for 2007-2008 winter season; will talk to Road Dept. Foreman on this years' needs.

Mayor Mazza mentioned the following: - resolution on gypsy moth control program; give copies of the resolution to the Environmental Commission; - response letter from NJDOT to make part of Rte.#173 East safer; oversized stop signs and stop ahead signs will be placed; - resignation letter from Teresa Masino as a part-time Deputy Court Administrator, no effective date was given.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. The following resolution was introduced for adoption:

RESOLUTION 2007-128
Re: Toll Brothers Raking and Seeding Bonds
Block 11, Lot 8.11
Block 11.01, Lot 10

WHEREAS, Toll Brothers, Inc. posted grading and seeding bonds for block 11, lot 8.11 and block 11.01 lot 10, and

WHEREAS, the work and inspection are complete, and

WHEREAS, in a letter dated 7/26/06, Toll Brothers, Inc. has requested the refund of these bonds,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the balance of the grading and seeding bond in the amount of \$2,500.00 each be refunded to Toll Brothers, Inc. and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Motion was made by Mr. Haynes, seconded by Mr. Severino to adopt above resolution. Vote – Ayes: Mr. Haynes, Mr. Severino, Mrs. Nargi, Mrs. Dziubek, Mr. Mazza. Motion Carried.

- b. The following resolution was introduced for adoption:

RESOLUTION 2007-129
Re: Excavation Bond Refund
TOLL BROTHERS, INC.
36 Rupell Road
Clinton, NJ 08809

WHEREAS, TOLL BROTHERS, INC., posted excavation bonds in the amount of \$500.00 for the following blocks and lots: **Block 11.01 Lot 8; Block 11.01 Lot 9; Block 11 Lot 8.15; Block 11 Lot 8.16; Block 11 Lot 8.17; Block 11 Lot 8.18; Block 11 Lot 8.19; Block 11 Lot 8.21; Block 11.01 Lot 16**

WHEREAS, the work and inspection are complete;

WHEREAS, the Construction Department has requested that these bonds now be released back to Toll Brothers Inc.,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the excavation bonds totaling \$4,500.00 be refunded to Toll Brothers, Inc.;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Motion was made by Mr. Haynes, seconded by Mr. Severino to adopt above resolution. Vote – Ayes: Mr. Haynes, Mr. Severino, Mrs. Nargi, Mrs. Dziubek, Mr. Mazza. Motion Carried.

c. The following resolution was introduced for adoption:

RESOLUTION 2007-130
Re: Excavation Bond Refund
Robert and Joanne Fleck, 417 County Road 579, Milford, NJ 08848

WHEREAS, Robert and Joanne Fleck, Block 15 Lot 33 and 34 did post an excavation bond in the amount of \$500.00, and

WHEREAS, the work and inspection are complete, and

WHEREAS, the construction department has requested that this bond now be released back to Robert and Joanne Fleck,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the excavation bond of \$500.00 be released to Robert and Joanne Fleck,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately

Motion was made by Mr. Haynes, seconded by Mrs. Nargi to adopt above resolution. Vote – Ayes: Mr. Haynes, Mr. Severino, Mrs. Nargi, Mrs. Dziubek, Mr. Mazza. Motion Carried.

d. The following resolution was introduced for adoption:

RESOLUTION 2007-131
Re: Excavation Bond Refund
Michael and Tricia Garanzini; 29 Wyckoff Drive; Pittstown, NJ 08867
Block 29.01 lot 13

WHEREAS, Michael and Tricia Garanzini, 29 Wyckoff Drive Block 29.01 lot 13 did post an excavation bond in the amount of \$500.00, and

WHEREAS, the work and inspection are complete, and

WHEREAS, the construction department has requested that this bond now be released back to Michael and Tricia Garanzini,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the excavation bond of \$500.00 be released to Michael and Tricia Garanzini,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately

Motion was made by Mr. Haynes, seconded by Mr. Severino to adopt above resolution. Vote – Ayes: Mr. Haynes, Mr. Severino, Mrs. Nargi, Mrs. Dziubek, Mr. Mazza. Motion Carried.

e. The following resolution was introduced for adoption:

RESOLUTION 2007-132
Re: Excavation Bond Refund
Mark Throckmorton, 54 Finn Road, Hampton, NJ 08827

WHEREAS, Mark Throckmorton , Block 26 Lot 1 did post an excavation bond in the amount of \$500.00, and

WHEREAS, the work and inspection are complete, and

WHEREAS, the construction department has requested that this bond now be released back to Mark Throckmorton,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the excavation bond of \$500.00 be released to Mark Throckmorton,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Motion was made by Mr. Haynes, seconded by Mrs. Nargi to adopt above resolution. Vote – Ayes: Mr. Haynes, Mr. Severino, Mrs. Nargi, Mrs. Dziubek, Mr. Mazza. Motion Carried.

f. The following resolution was introduced for adoption:

RESOLUTION 2007-133
Re: Release of Inspection Fee Balance
Stonehedge of Bernards @ Spruce Run, PO Box 904, Far Hills, NJ 07931

WHEREAS, Stonehedge of Bernards @ Spruce Run did post an inspection fee account,

WHEREAS, the work and inspection are complete, and

WHEREAS, in a letter dated May 1, 2007, Stonehedge of Bernards @ Spruce Run did request the refund of the balance of this account, and

WHEREAS, in a letter dated August 20, 2007, the Township Engineer, Maser Consulting, did recommend the refund of this balance,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the balance of the inspection fee account in the amount of \$332.00 be refunded to Stonehedge of Bernards @ Spruce Run, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately

Motion was made by Mr. Haynes, seconded by Mr. Severino to adopt above resolution. Vote – Ayes: Mr. Haynes, Mr. Severino, Mrs. Nargi, Mrs. Dziubek, Mr. Mazza. Motion Carried.

g. The following resolution was introduced for adoption:

RESOLUTION #2007-134
Accept & Awarding Contract; Road Centerline Striping

WHEREAS, quotes were received for Road Centerline Striping in accordance with Local Public Contracts Laws; and

WHEREAS, the low bid was received in the amount of \$3,939.25 from Statewide Striping Corporation; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available for the award of this contract;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Union, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey that the proposal is awarded to Statewide Striping Corporation, 499 Pomeroy Road, Parsippany, New Jersey 07054.

Motion was made by Mr. Severino, seconded by Mrs. Nargi to adopt above resolution. Vote – Ayes: Mr. Haynes, Mr. Severino, Mrs. Nargi, Mrs. Dziubek, Mr. Mazza. Motion Carried.

h. The following resolution was introduced for adoption:

**RESOLUTION #2007-135
UNION TOWNSHIP, HUNTERDON COUNTY
Part-Time Recycling Attendant;**

WHEREAS, there is a need for a part-time recycling attendant; and

WHEREAS, John Meehan is qualified and has expressed an interest in same;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Union to hire John Meehan as a part-time recycling attendant, effective immediately, at an hourly salary of \$11.25 per hour.

Motion was made by Mrs. Dziubek, seconded by Mr. Severino to adopt above resolution. Vote – Ayes: Mr. Haynes, Mr. Severino, Mrs. Nargi, Mrs. Dziubek, Mr. Mazza. Motion Carried.

i. The following resolution was introduced for adoption:

**RESOLUTION #2007-136
Resolution Awarding Cleaning Services at the Municipal Buildings**

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Union authorized the solicitation for quotes for Cleaning Services at the Township Municipal Buildings and Offices; and

WHEREAS, quotes were received, and the lowest quote was submitted by Work Line-Cleaning of Quality, 1703Tacoma Ct., Allentown, PA 18109 in the amount of \$155.00 per week; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available for the award of this service;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Union, County of Hunterdon, and State of New Jersey that the service contract for cleaning service at the Municipal Buildings be awarded to Work Line-Cleaning of Quality, 1703Tacoma Ct., Allentown, PA 18109 in the amount of \$155.00 per week.

Motion was made by Mrs. Nargi, seconded by Mr. Severino to adopt above resolution. Vote – Ayes: Mr. Haynes, Mr. Severino, Mrs. Nargi, Mrs. Dziubek, Mr. Mazza. Motion Carried.

j. **Discussion** - position of COAH Administrator/Coordinator

Attorney Jost stated that in most cases Municipal Clerk is appointed as the COAH Administrator, but the actual work is done by an outside agency. Currently Mr. Fred Mayer is appointed as the Township's COAH administrator, handling Rehabilitation Loans, which is a separate matter from Affordable Housing, added Attorney Jost. He also suggested calling Mary Beth Lonergan from Mr. Hintz's office to obtain proper information on current regulations by COAH. Mrs. Dziubek will contact Ms. Lonergan.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – OUT OF AGENDA ORDER - Action may be taken following Executive Session

At 8:20 PM the following resolution was introduced for adoption:

**RESOLUTION#2007-137
EXECUTIVE SESSION**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 allows for a public body to go into closed session during a public meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Union Township Committee has deemed it necessary to go into closed session to discuss certain matters which are exempted from the public;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Union will go into closed session for the following reason(s) as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12: Contract Negotiations – Clinton Township Municipal Court.

Motion was made by Mrs. Nargi, seconded by Mr. Severino to adopt the above resolution. Motion carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote.

At approximately 9:00 PM motion was made by Mrs. Nargi, seconded by Mr. Severino, to return to the regular meeting. Vote – Ayes: Mr. Haynes, Mr. Severino, Mrs. Nargi, Mrs. Dziubek, Mr. Mazza. Motion Carried.

After coming out of Executive Session Mrs. Dziubek announced that the Township Committee is considering an option of entering into Shared Court Services Agreement with the Township of Clinton. Attorney Jost said that it would be a shared municipal court not a joint court, meaning that individual courts would retain their separate identity, but share personnel and facility.

Grace Brennan, Twp. CFO was asked to give an overview of financial data regarding operation costs of Municipal Court over prior years. She reviewed auditors' reports and stated that generally over the years there were more financial losses than profits.

Mrs. Nargi added that besides court finances there is also a capacity issue which comes up every time we have a visit from the State Fire Marshal.

Mr. Severino pointed out the fact that in reality Union Twp. Municipal Court collects fees for the state, since most tickets come from State Hwy I-78.

Mrs. Dziubek agreed with previous speakers and added that it would be purely an economic decision.

Mayor Mazza presented some of the benefits the Township would receive, if it was decided to enter into a shared services agreement.

Attorney Jost stated that there are a lot of details that would have to be worked out if the Committee decides to proceed with joining shared services.

Mr. Haynes expressed his concerns regarding court record keeping such as where they would be kept, who would dispose of them, and who would be responsible for them.

After the discussion was over a **Motion was made by Mrs. Nargi for Attorney Jost to prepare all necessary documents to enter into a Shared Services Agreement with Clinton Twp. Municipal Court for consideration at the next Twp. Committee Meeting or soon thereafter. Mr. Severino seconded the motion. Vote – Ayes: Mr. Haynes, Mr. Severino, Mrs. Nargi, Mrs. Dziubek, Mr. Mazza. Motion Carried.**

At this time Mayor Mazza asked Mrs. Nargi to answer questions submitted by Twp. Elected Officials, employees and members of the public regarding transfer of local Construction Department to State Code Enforcement Office.

Mrs. Nargi said she contacted Mr. Chuck Herring from DCA and was able to have all the questions and concerns answered. She said that the State Code Office will handle most of operations as the local office, but emphasized the fact that there are going to be issues as with any major change. It would take a great effort from all parties involved to make the change a success.

She went on to answer to some of questions:

- How quickly are permits issued? 24 to 48 hours, but they have 7 days to issue a permit.
- Is there a State Inspector assigned to the Municipality? Yes there is, he would be coming in as needed.
- Is it a contract the Municipality has to abide by if it does not meet Township expectations? No, it is not a contract and we are not obligated to stay with the State.
- Is there going to be communication between the State Office and the Planning Board to make sure procedures are followed? Yes there will be, but a checklist has to be developed for everybody involved to follow.
- Is there going to be coordination with the Township Tax Assessor? Yes, Tax Assessor would be physically involved in certain aspects of inspections.

Mrs. Nargi obtained a list of all Townships in the area using State Code Enforcement Office. After contacting some of them, especially ones that left for different reasons, she said there was no Municipality that is dissatisfied with State Code Office services.

Grace Brennan, CFO, mentioned that fees associated with obtaining permits are not going to be any greater than they are now. She also said that the relocation is not entirely a financial decision. She went on to explain that, as there is less and less development in the Township, number of applications for permits will significantly go down.

Mayor Mazza added that almost the entire Township is in the Highlands Preservation or Planning Area, and that would slow down construction.

Mr. Haynes expressed his concerns about a single resident receiving help with questions and problems applying for a permit. Mrs. Nargi responded that Mr. Herring assured her that State Inspectors go beyond their duties to help individual homeowners. She also checked with other Municipalities on satisfactory report from residents. There was no negative feed back.

Darlene Beam, Construction Office Secretary asked if the 24 hour turnaround is to get an inspection or permit. She added, if a problem arises the State Office has an additional 21 days to issue a permit. In response, Mrs. Nargi said that 24 hours applies only to “no issues” permits.

Scott Eichlin, Township resident and local architect, presented arguments against closing of local construction office. He asked if the Committee considered the possibility of entering into shared services with neighboring municipalities. He also spoke of his personal experiences, as an architect, dealing with the State Code Office for the past 13 years. Mr. Eichlin said they were not pleasant ones. In his opinion, it would be a great disservice to the Union Township community to transfer this local office to the State.

Mr. Haynes said being a contractor himself, having to deal with the State Offices over the years he is not in favor of relocation the Township Construction Office. He stated, he was never satisfied with their services.

At the end of discussion a motion was made by Mr. Severino for the Township Attorney to prepare documents to close Union Twp. Construction Office and transfer operation to the NJ State Code Enforcement Office. Mrs. Nargi seconded the motion. Vote: – Ayes: Mr. Severino, Mrs. Nargi, Mrs. Dziubek, Mr. Mazza. Nays: Mr. Haynes. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – OUT OF AGENDA ORDER

Scott Eichlin emphasized again how disappointing it would be to this community to close this local Construction Dept.

Discussion ensued between Twp. Committee and Mr. Eichlin on pros and cons regarding closing of the Township's construction office.

Tom McLaughlin from McLaughlin Sports came before the Committee to ask for a fee waiver to use the Township's ball fields for a children soccer program. Grace Brennan, Twp. CFO, offered to find out the exact fee and if the waiver could be granted.

**NEW ORDINANCE – 1st Reading – None at this time
REPORTS**

- a. **Engineer's Report** – Mr. Reymann mentioned the following: - oil and chip contract was completed this week; - stripping scheduled in the next two weeks; - we are deficient in compliance with stormwater regulations, brochures displayed on the table in the municipal building did not qualify as meeting public education requirement; brochures are going to be available at the environmental booth on September 9th Union Twp. Community Day; - wrote two letters to Toll Brothers regarding trees at the Sanctuary; they will replant them in September; - wrote a letter to the UT Planning Bd. regarding performed inspections and landscaping at Grand Colonial; - problems with driveways next to the Township property; Township ordinance needs to be amended to avoid future misunderstandings when granting driveways permits; - prepared check list to be approved by all departments involved in issuance of any permit required by the Township.
Mrs. Nargi said she received a written notice from Rich McManus, Zoning Officer that the Grand Colonial applied for tree removal permit after the trees were cut down. Attorney Jost will follow up the issue.
Mr. Severino asked if the Engineer had a chance to look into an issue with the water tower at Edna Mahan Facilities. John Reymann will follow up and update Mr. Severino.
- b. **Attorney's Report** – Mr. Jost mentioned the following: - contract with Garden State Fireworks, in the amount of \$5,000 for the fireworks display, should be officially approved and ratified by the Twp. Committee subject to the Insurance Certificate and Hold Harmless Agreement. Mr. Severino motioned to approve the said contract. Mrs. Dziubek seconded. Vote – Ayes: Mr. Haynes, Mr. Severino, Mrs. Nargi, Mrs. Dziubek, Mr. Mazza. Motion Carried; - asked the Committee for permission to write a letter on behalf of Pattenburg Fire Co. to resolve call out issues with Quakertown Fire Co.; no objections from Committee Members.
- c. **Mayor's Report** – Mr. Mazza mentioned the following: - received a letter from JCP&L on inability to access electric meter for reading at 26 Baptist Church Rd.; - letter from a resident at 27 Stonebridge Rd. complaining of noise coming from a large commercial air conditioning unit, located on school property and constantly running; Mr. Severino will investigate before taking any action.
- d. **Committee Report**
 - Mrs. Nargi: - would like for Mrs. Dziubek to greet and welcome a group of bikers passing through Hunterdon Cty. They are Executives from Cigna Insurance, who is health insurance provider at Foster Wheeler. They were invited by the company to stop in Union Twp. on September 19th between 11AM – 1PM; - interviews were conducted for the position of administrative assistant, no decision has been made yet.
 - Mrs. Dziubek talked about importance of Plan Endorsement for Highlands Regional Master Plan. She said that a decision would have to be made by the Committee in which direction it wants to go, whether

it is the State Plan or Highlands Regional Plan. She also stated that there should be no major effect on Township COAH Plan.

- Mayor Mazza announced that Senator Leonard Lance is going to attend next Planning Board Meeting to honor and celebrate Mr. Joe Martins 50 year's service as a member of the Union Twp. Committee and later on as a member of the Planning Board.
- Mr. Haynes mentioned the following: - investigated possibility of putting tennis courts at the Finn Road Park as requested by the Recreation Committee. Talked to Dr. Souza, who does not foresee many problems with building tennis courts. Contacted Kevin Applegate at Green Acres on the County level, who said that in January of 2006 regulation changed for use of Green Acres properties. Mr. Applegate feels it is possible to build tennis courts at the Finn Park, but it is going to be a lengthy and costly process; - first report has been distributed on employee cross training in the Road Dept.

e. Clerk's Report

- Raffle License Application #2007-21 – Hunterdon Friends of NRA
Motion was made by Mrs. Dziubek, seconded by Mrs. Nargi to approve the above license. Vote – Ayes: Mr. Haynes, Mr. Severino, Mrs. Dziubek, Mr. Mazza. Nays: Mrs. Nargi. Motion Carried.
- Application for Special Permit for Social Affair – The Arc of Hunterdon Foundation
Motion was made by Mrs. Nargi, seconded by Mrs. Dziubek to approve the above application. Vote – Ayes: Mr. Haynes, Mr. Severino, Mrs. Nargi, Mrs. Dziubek, Mr. Mazza. Motion Carried.
- Approval to attend Vital Statistics Registrar Seminars
 - Darlene Beam on September 27th & October 12th
 - Ella M. Ruta on October 12thMotion was made by Mrs. Nargi, seconded by Mrs. Dziubek to approve the above requests. Vote – Ayes: Mr. Haynes, Mr. Severino, Mrs. Nargi, Mrs. Dziubek, Mr. Mazza. Motion Carried.
- Approval for Elected Official to attend Seminar
Motion was made by Mr. Haynes, seconded by Mr. Severino to approve request by Mrs. Dziubek to attend seminar. Vote – Ayes: Mr. Haynes, Mr. Severino, Mrs. Nargi, Mr. Mazza. Abstentions: Mrs. Dziubek. Motion Carried.

PAYMENT OF THE BILLS – Mr. Severino moved that all claims against the Township of Union as appearing in the amended Claims Register of this date be paid and that all checks listed hereinafter be issued in payment thereof. Removed from prior Claims Register was payment to FrasAir Contracting Inc. in the amount of \$965.50. Mrs. Nargi seconded. Vote – Ayes: Mr. Haynes, Mr. Severino, Mrs. Nargi, Mrs. Dziubek, Mr. Mazza. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business to come before the Township Committee at this time, a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Haynes, seconded by Mrs. Dziubek. Motion carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 11:06 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Ella Malecki Ruta, RMC
Municipal Clerk